s17 Geometric Series Exam (Practice v41)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term a = 976, common ratio $r = \left(\frac{9}{61}\right)^{1/10}$, and n = 10 terms.

$$S = 976 + 806.01 + 665.63 + 549.7 + 453.96 + 374.89 + 309.6 + 255.68 + 211.14 + 174.37$$

We can multiply both sides by r.

$$rS \ = \ 806.01 + 665.63 + 549.7 + 453.96 + 374.89 + 309.6 + 255.68 + 211.14 + 174.37 + 144$$

What is the value of S - rS?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 3 + 3(6) + 3(6)^{2} + 3(6)^{3} + \cdots + 3(6)^{67} + 3(6)^{68} + 3(6)^{69} + 3(6)^{70}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.